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*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### 36 CFR Part 293

#### Wilderness—Primitive Areas; Fixed Anchors in Wilderness

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Negotiated rulemaking committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Agriculture has established a negotiated rulemaking committee to develop recommendations for a proposed rule addressing the placement, use, and removal of fixed anchors used for recreational rock climbing purposes in congressionally designated wilderness areas administered by the Forest Service. The Fixed Anchors in Wilderness Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee is composed of individuals representing a cross section of interests with a definable stake in the outcome of the proposed rule. The Committee has been established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is engaged in the process of rulemaking pursuant to the provisions of the Negotiated Rulemaking Act. The Committee has held meetings in June, July, and August and will hold a fourth meeting in September. All meetings of the committee are open to public attendance.

**DATES:** The next meeting of the advisory committee will be held in Golden, Colorado, on September 19–20. The meeting is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the first day and from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the second day.

**ADDRESSES:** The advisory committee meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, Forest Service, USDA, 740 Simms St., Golden, Colorado on September 19 and next door to the Regional Office at the Best Western—Denver West Motel conference room, located at 11595 W. 6th Avenue, Lakewood, CO, on September 20.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry Stokes, Wilderness Program Manager, Recreation, Heritage, and Wilderness Resources Staff, (202) 205-0925.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 300

[FRL-6865-3]

#### National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan; National Priorities List

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to delete the White Farm Equipment Site (Site) from the National Priorities List (NPL).

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region VII announces the intent to delete the White Farm Equipment site from the National Priorities List (NPL) and requests public comment on this proposed action. The NPL constitutes appendix B of 40 CFR part 300 which is the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), which EPA promulgated pursuant to section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, as amended. The EPA and the state of Iowa have determined that the site poses no significant threat to public health or the environment, as defined by CERCLA. Five-year review reports will continue to be conducted.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the proposed deletion of this site from the NPL may be submitted on or before October 10, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to Catherine Barrett, Remedial Project Manager, Superfund Division, Missouri/Kansas Remedial Branch, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101. Comprehensive information on this site is available through the public docket which is available for viewing at the U.S. EPA Region VII, Superfund Records Center, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Catherine Barrett, Remedial Project Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101, phone (913) 551-7704, fax (913) 551-7063.

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### I. Introduction

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The EPA will accept comments on the proposal to delete this site thirty (30) days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**.

Section II of this document explains the criteria for deleting sites from the NPL. Section III discusses the procedures that EPA is using for this action. Section IV discusses the White Farm Equipment site and explains how the site meets the deletion criteria.

### II. NPL Deletion Criteria

Section 300.425(e) of the NCP provides that sites may be deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate. In making a determination to delete a site from the NPL, EPA in consultation with the state, shall consider whether any of the following criteria has been met:

- (i) Responsible parties or other persons have implemented all appropriate response actions required;
- (ii) All appropriate Fund-financed response under CERCLA has been implemented, and no further response action by responsible parties is appropriate; or
- (iii) The remedial investigation has shown that the release of hazardous substances poses no significant threat to public health or the environment and, therefore, remedial measures are not appropriate.

Even when a site is deleted from the NPL, where hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants remain at the site above levels that allow for